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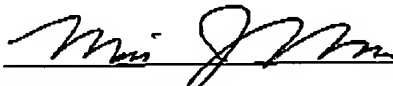
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R.1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of the following amendments. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and the necessary fee.

Amendments to the Specification are on page 3 of this paper.

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Amendment dated April 12, 2005
Reply to Office Action of December 1, 2004

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.